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The following reference is not in the English language:

1) JP 10-340727

An English language abstract is enclosed.

As we understand, this reference was first recently uncovered in its files by a representative of the assignee on November 20, 2003, in preparation for an interview at the Japanese Patent Office. An English translation of Reference 1) will be provided within four weeks.

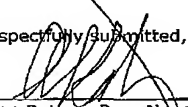
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